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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department reports that detectives are conducting a double homicide investigation. The incident occurred Wednesday, July 1, 2015 in the 1200 block of 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue West.

The identity of the victims will be released upon notification of immediate family.

On Wednesday, July 1, 2015 around 9:41 p.m. West Precinct officers responded to the listed location on two people dead inside the location. Upon arrival, officers spoke to a relative who stated he came by to check on his brother who he has not heard from in a couple of days. Officers went inside the residence and found two victims inside the living room suffering from what appeared to be gunshot wounds to the head area. The victims was pronounced deceased at the scene by Birmingham Fire and Rescue.

Our preliminary investigation revealed that the residence contained several items of drug paraphernalia lying around the front room and other bedrooms were ransacked. Neighbors stated there were a large number of people coming back and forth to the residence. This is an ongoing homicide investigation and additional information will be released as it becomes available.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, they are encouraged to contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 254-7777.